1. Africa has a number of different climates including the Mediterranean in the north and south coasts, the Sahara desert, and grasslands known as the Sudan.

2. Archaeologists have found some of the earliest forms of human life, including a skeleton named Lucy, in the Rift Valley in Africa.

3. Rainforests in Africa have a lot of rain and heat. They contain a number of species, plants, and also diseases such as the sleeping sickness and malaria in mosquitos.

4. The east coast of Africa has developed most of the trade for the coast. Through this trade the Swahili language was created as well as interactions between Muslims and Africans people along the coast.

5. African cultures is found through reports of Muslims and Europeans where Cush people conquered the Egyptians and created hieroglyphics.

6. The Sudan of West Africa is rich with gold. North and South African traders would exchange salt and gold.

7. Mali gained power after Ghana, and Mansa Musa made a voyage to Mecca with slaves giving away gold. Ibn Battuta cam to Mali and hated the women’s rights, yet noticed the peace of the land.

8. The Nok culture is known to be Africa’s earliest culture. Two major cities, which are still thriving today, are Benin and Ife.

9. The ruins of Zimbabwe are south of the Zambezi River where the ancient people who lived there mined gold and traded. When Europeans came, it was deserted.

10. Through Africa’s artistic and intellectual achievements they have been one of the richest on earth, and have developed many cultures.